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	Males	Females	Persons		Building Work Approved	New Dwellings in Houses and Flats Completed	
	Number at end of period—thousands				£ thousand	£ thousand	Number
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
1944-45	536.0	247.9	783.9	4,721	n.a.	n.a.	
1945-46	618.5	242.3	860.8	4,980	n.a.	5,500†	
1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,851	48,925‡	12,344‡	
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,970	53,440	15,415	
1948-49	705.5	263.8	969.3	8,105	66,146	18,758	
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	8,988	83,981	19,841	
1950 :	Jan	729.6	273.2	1,002.8	8,864	5,760	4,355
	Feb.	735.1	276.1	1,011.2		7,300	
	Mar.	736.7	278.7	1,015.4		8,181	
	April	737.0	277.5	1,014.5	9,713	5,586	4,955
	May	740.7	279.6	1,020.3		10,085	
	June	740.8	278.5	1,019.3		8,103	
	July	740.4	279.0	1,019.4	9,989	8,785	4,995
	Aug.	742.8	279.6	1,022.4		8,968	
	Sept.	744.9	281.7	1,026.6		9,236	
	Oct.	746.2	285.7	1,031.9	n.y.a.	10,285	n.y.a.
	Nov.	748.3	289.2	1,037.5		9,663	
	Dec.	751.4	289.8	1,041.2		7,541	
1951 :	Jan.	752.1	284.9	1,037.0		8,498	

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Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade. (Merchandise only)		Nine Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year : 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1944-45	22,622§	112.8	60.8	225.2	83.4	198.2
1945-46	23,276§	86.1	76.4	237.2	90.6	236.2
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950 : Jan.	10,812	20.2	19.3	359.1	151.6	250.6
Feb.	13,195	15.7	21.5	375.8	150.3	251.8
Mar.	14,325	23.1	27.2	389.7	151.6	252.6
April	532	15.7	16.2	393.0	156.6	253.5
May	9,161	25.8	27.3	388.9	155.9	253.7
June	9,061	19.8	14.2	394.0	166.2	258.9
July	561	21.1	15.9	389.0	170.3	260.0
Aug.	8,047	25.4	13.2	386.8	169.7	259.0
Sept.	17,833	24.7	13.3	388.7	170.9	259.7
Oct.	27,230	21.4	30.6	406.5	175.8	259.3
Nov.	32,643	22.3	32.7	423.7	183.5	259.0
Dec.	9,696	18.8	28.1	438.0	190.9	260.1
1951 : Jan.	37,013	26.2	34.3	443.4	183.7	261.7

* See notes to relevant table.

† Houses only.

‡ Partly estimated.

§ Includes equalisation payments.

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to detailed tables herein

13.		17.	22.	22.	22.	Table No.
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196**	1,948	1,168†	1938-39: Year
254.1	17,793	2,785	11,096	2,877	1,346†	1944-45
267.4	15,872	3,814	10,030	2,832	1,054†	1945-46
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312†	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343†	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,756	1,246	1949-50
23.1	1,379	3,877	771	306	116	Jan.: 1950
21.1	1,411	4,846	982	310	113	Feb.
21.4	1,543	6,521	1,095	349	110	Mar.
23.5	1,277	5,020	910	321	104	April
24.1	1,601	8,270	1,246	371	112	May
21.2	1,298	7,358	977	380	122	June
22.8	1,371	6,672	1,042	385	104	July
22.0	1,596	7,264	1,229	381	125	Aug.
22.4	1,528	7,231	1,152	355	136	Sept.
22.9	1,524	7,002	1,203r	353	133	Oct.
21.5	1,632	7,583	1,211r	348	131	Nov.
21.7	1,364	6,053	980	334	118	Dec.
23.4	1,171	5,028	547	329	93	Jan.: 1951

42.	44.	45.	51.	53.	54.	Table No.
Bank Clearings, Sydney	Sydney Stock Exchange	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : "C" Series All Items (Sydney) Index *	Basic Wage, Sydney	Period
Index *	Share Values				Adult Males *	
Average 1926-30 = 100	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 1000	Average 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
99	175.6	35,272	1011	928	81||	1938-39: Year
157	192.2	23,350	1405	1142	99||	1944-45
171	210.2	35,660	1412	1151	99||	1945-46
214	240.0	57,899	1429	1182	108||	1946-47
248	262.6	60,202	1588	1259	114||	1947-48
298	258.2	62,229	1809	1378	124||	1948-49
356	270.0	125,952	2054	1504	135||	1949-50
352	272.0	9,346	2074	1515	132	Jan.: 1950
351	277.5	10,314	2109		135	Feb.
367	285.4	12,896	2109		135	Mar.
391	292.6	11,211	2222	1564	135	April
402	293.4	17,212	2208		138	May
402	293.6	15,129	2229		138	June
402	289.1	15,240	2231	1613	138	July
398	296.9	15,021	2319††		142	Aug.
393	306.4	15,813	2336††		142	Sept.
413	312.1	13,941	2372††	1680	142	Oct.
442	334.8	13,240	2429††		146	Nov.
474	334.9	15,623	2429††		165	Dec.
481	346.9	17,300	n.y.a.		165	Jan.: 1951

† Year ended 31st May. || Operative from February. ** Year ended 31st December, 1939. †† See Special Note at foot of page 28.

2. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1947	1,504,350	1,503,232	3,007,582	69,398	28,449	4,277*	30,172
1948	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	67,234	30,403	17,931	30,164
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1948 : Mar. Qr.	1,510,900	1,508,052	3,018,952	16,644	6,463	1,189	7,549
June Qr.	1,513,563	1,511,755	3,025,318	17,021	8,169	(-) 2,486	7,858
Sept. Qr.	1,520,961	1,518,664	3,039,625	17,035	9,003	6,275	6,678
Dec. Qr.	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	16,534	6,768	12,953	8,079
1949 : Mar. Qr.	1,545,909	1,540,471	3,086,380	16,397	6,392	14,031	7,484
June Qr.	1,561,592	1,552,067	3,113,659	16,974	7,476	17,781	7,404
Sept. Qr.	1,574,988	1,564,163	3,139,151	18,267	8,542	15,767	6,121
Dec. Qr.	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	17,174	6,954	26,564	7,748
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,610,106	1,593,872	3,203,978	17,888	6,661	16,816	7,940
June Qr.	1,621,456	1,603,786	3,225,242	17,715	7,482	11,031	7,636
Sept. Qr.	1,631,713	1,612,884	3,244,597	18,123	9,612	10,844	6,513

* Includes intercensal adjustment. (-) Denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,274,930 at 31st December, 1939, and 1,549,590 at 31st December, 1949.

EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

(1) The following estimates are based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities. (2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month. (3) Workers in rural industry, female domestics in private households, and persons on the paid strength of the defence forces are excluded.

3. Wage and Salary Earners in Employment

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestics in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	Thousands								
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : July	156.9	46.1	203.0	365.2	207.7	572.9	522.1	253.8	775.9
1945 : Aug.	155.6	42.8	198.4	386.4	205.3	591.7	542.0	248.1	790.1
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : June†	195.4	36.0	231.4	510.1	227.8	737.9	705.5	263.8	969.3
1950 : June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1949 : Sept.	196.7	37.3	234.0	519.2	232.7	751.9	715.9	270.0	985.9
Oct.	196.6	37.7	234.3	523.8	235.5	759.1	720.2	273.2	993.4
Nov.	198.2	38.0	236.2	527.0	237.8	764.8	725.2	275.8	1,001.0
Dec.	200.0	38.2	238.2	526.9	240.1	767.0	726.9	278.3	1,005.2
1950 : Jan.	200.0	38.1	238.1	529.6	235.1	764.7	729.6	273.2	1,002.8
1950 : Sept.	204.6	39.1	243.7	540.3	242.6	782.9	744.9	281.7	1,026.6
Oct.	203.7	39.5	243.2	542.5	246.2	788.7	746.2	285.7	1,031.9
Nov.	203.9	39.8	243.7	544.4	249.4	793.8	748.3	289.2	1,037.5
Dec.	205.8	39.7	245.5	545.6	250.1	795.7	751.4	289.8	1,041.2
1951 : Jan.	206.3	40.6	246.9	545.8	244.3	790.1	752.1	284.9	1,037.0

* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities. † Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions. See note (2) above.

4. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups* (Excluding Rural Workers, Domestics in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Con- struction	Transport and Com- munication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡	
Thousands									
MALES									
1939 : July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	44.0	56.6
1943 : July	25.1	217.8	30.1	79.9	10.5	22.9	28.7	39.6	39.6
1945 : Aug.	24.9	216.9	32.3	86.7	11.4	24.9	30.5	46.5	46.5
1946 : June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1	56.1
1947 : June	26.6	252.1	55.7	102.8	18.8	37.6	46.4	62.4	62.4
1948 : June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7	64.7
1949 : June§	24.4	257.4	64.5	110.9	20.4	42.1	50.1	66.1	66.1
1950 : June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2	67.2
1949 : Sept.	27.6	263.9	64.9	109.8	20.6	42.7	49.6	66.6	66.6
Oct.	27.8	267.5	64.8	110.0	20.6	43.2	49.4	66.6	66.6
Nov.	28.3	268.6	64.9	111.2	20.6	44.0	50.6	66.6	66.6
Dec.	28.2	268.0	64.6	111.4	20.6	43.6	52.8	67.3	67.3
1950 : Jan.	28.3	271.2	65.3	111.5	20.7	44.1	50.4	67.7	67.7
1950 : Sept.	28.4	277.8	69.9	114.6	21.3	45.8	50.6	67.0	67.0
Oct.	28.5	278.5	70.1	114.2	21.3	46.1	51.0	67.1	67.1
Nov.	28.7	278.8	70.6	112.8	21.3	46.7	52.6	67.2	67.2
Dec.	28.6	278.4	70.1	114.7	21.4	46.7	54.3	67.4	67.4
1951 : Jan.	28.6	280.4	70.5	114.7	21.5	47.1	51.2	67.8	67.8
FEMALES									
1939 : July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	36.0	49.1
1943 : July	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	9.9	10.7	38.5	65.9	65.9
1945 : Aug.	0.2	86.0	0.7	14.6	10.6	10.8	37.8	70.3	70.3
1946 : June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3	73.3
1947 : June	0.2	86.5	1.0	12.8	10.4	11.9	40.7	77.1	77.1
1948 : June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6	79.6
1949 : June§	0.3	88.7	1.2	14.7	11.7	13.4	42.7	80.9	80.9
1950 : June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1	83.1
1949 : Sept.	0.3	93.4	1.2	14.7	11.9	14.0	42.3	81.6	81.6
Oct.	0.3	95.1	1.2	15.0	11.9	14.1	42.6	82.4	82.4
Nov.	0.3	96.0	1.2	15.0	12.0	14.3	43.7	82.7	82.7
Dec.	0.3	95.0	1.2	15.0	12.0	14.2	47.1	82.9	82.9
1950 : Jan.	0.3	94.3	1.2	14.8	12.2	14.4	42.4	83.0	83.0
1950 : Sept.	0.3	98.4	1.3	15.3	12.8	14.8	44.4	83.6	83.6
Oct.	0.3	99.5	1.4	15.6	12.7	15.4	46.1	83.9	83.9
Nov.	0.3	100.4	1.3	15.9	13.0	15.6	48.0	83.9	83.9
Dec.	0.3	99.2	1.4	15.7	13.0	15.4	50.2	83.6	83.6
1951 : Jan.	0.3	97.7	1.4	15.9	13.2	15.6	45.8	84.0	84.0
PERSONS									
1939 : July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	80.0	105.7
1943 : July	25.3	312.4	30.8	92.8	20.4	33.6	67.2	105.5	105.5
1945 : Aug.	25.1	302.9	33.0	101.3	22.0	35.7	68.3	116.8	116.8
1946 : June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4	129.4
1947 : June	26.8	338.6	56.7	115.6	29.2	49.5	87.1	139.5	139.5
1948 : June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3	144.3
1949 : June§	24.7	346.1	65.7	125.6	32.1	55.5	92.8	147.0	147.0
1950 : June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3	150.3
1949 : Sept.	27.9	357.3	66.1	124.5	32.5	56.7	91.9	148.2	148.2
Oct.	28.1	362.6	66.0	125.0	32.5	57.3	92.0	149.0	149.0
Nov.	28.6	364.6	66.1	126.2	32.6	58.3	94.3	149.3	149.3
Dec.	28.5	363.0	65.8	126.4	32.6	57.8	99.9	150.2	150.2
1950 : Jan.	28.6	365.5	66.5	126.3	32.9	58.5	92.8	150.7	150.7
1950 : Sept.	28.7	376.2	71.2	129.9	34.1	60.6	95.0	150.6	150.6
Oct.	28.8	378.0	71.5	129.8	34.0	61.5	97.1	151.0	151.0
Nov.	29.0	379.2	71.9	128.7	34.3	62.3	100.6	151.1	151.1
Dec.	28.9	377.6	71.5	130.4	34.4	62.1	104.5	151.0	151.0
1951 : Jan.	28.9	378.1	71.9	130.6	34.7	62.7	97.0	151.8	151.8

* See notes preceding Table 3. Miscellaneous groups (70,300 males, 11,000 females, 81,300 persons in January, 1951) are omitted from this table. † From July, 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services. § Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

5. Employees in N.S.W. Factories : By Classes of Industry* (Excludes working proprietors)

Classes	I, II Bricks, Cement, Glass, etc.	III Chemicals, Oils, Paints, etc.	IV Metals, Machines, Vehicles, etc.	V Textiles and Knitted Goods	VIII Clothing and Footwear	IX Food, Drink, Tobacco	X, XI Sawmills, Woodworking, Furniture, etc.	XII Paper, Printing, etc.	V, VII, XIII—XVI Other	I—XV All Factories
Month	Thousands									
MALES										
1939 : June	11.8	5.2	75.9	5.6	6.9	17.5	13.4	11.3	12.1	159.7
1945 : June	9.1	8.3	124.2	6.8	7.3	20.4	14.3	9.9	14.5	214.8
1947 : June	14.2	9.7	131.5	9.8	10.9	23.2	18.5	14.3	20.0	252.1
1948 : June	14.8	10.7	137.4	10.1	11.2	24.4	20.7	14.6	21.3	265.2
1949 : June†	14.7	11.3	130.6	9.3	11.1	24.8	19.9	14.9	20.8	257.4
1950 : June	16.8	11.6	143.5	9.6	11.4	25.6	21.0	15.5	22.2	277.2
1949 : Nov.	16.2	11.4	135.8	9.5	11.6	26.1	21.1	15.1	21.8	268.6
Dec.	15.8	11.5	135.7	9.6	11.6	26.3	20.9	15.0	21.6	268.0
1950 : Jan.	16.2	11.5	138.4	9.8	11.7	26.3	20.8	14.8	21.7	271.2
1950 : Nov.	16.9	11.9	144.8	9.7	11.5	25.9	20.7	15.7	21.7	278.8
Dec.	16.8	12.0	144.3	9.7	11.5	26.5	20.6	15.5	21.5	278.4
1951 : Jan.	16.9	12.1	145.8	9.8	11.4	26.5	20.6	15.7	21.6	280.4
FEMALES										
1939 : June	0.4	2.7	4.9	9.2	22.8	9.4	1.6	5.3	3.6	59.9
1945 : June	0.8	4.0	21.2	11.5	25.9	11.2	1.6	5.7	5.0	86.9
1947 : June	0.7	4.4	13.6	11.4	31.9	10.6	1.9	6.1	5.9	86.5
1948 : June	0.8	4.4	14.5	11.7	33.6	10.7	2.0	6.1	6.4	90.2
1949 : June†	0.9	4.3	14.6	11.1	32.6	10.7	2.2	6.0	6.3	88.7
1950 : June	1.1	4.7	18.0	12.9	33.3	11.3	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.2
1949 : Nov.	1.1	4.5	16.1	12.5	34.1	11.9	2.3	6.6	6.9	96.0
Dec.	1.0	4.4	16.1	12.5	33.3	12.1	2.3	6.6	6.7	95.0
1950 : Jan.	1.0	4.5	16.5	12.5	32.7	11.9	2.3	6.4	6.5	94.3
1950 : Nov.	1.1	4.8	18.5	13.4	34.6	11.5	2.4	7.0	7.1	100.4
Dec.	1.1	4.6	18.3	13.3	34.0	11.7	2.4	6.9	6.9	99.2
1951 : Jan.	1.1	4.7	18.3	13.0	33.3	11.6	2.3	6.8	6.6	97.7
PERSONS										
1939 : June	12.2	7.9	80.8	14.8	29.7	26.9	15.0	16.6	15.7	219.6
1945 : June	9.9	12.3	145.4	18.3	33.2	31.6	15.9	15.6	19.5	301.7
1947 : June	14.9	14.1	145.1	21.2	42.8	33.8	20.4	20.4	25.9	338.6
1948 : June	15.6	15.1	151.9	21.8	44.8	35.1	22.7	20.7	27.7	355.4
1949 : June†	15.6	15.6	145.2	20.4	43.7	35.5	22.1	20.9	27.1	346.1
1950 : June	17.9	16.3	161.5	22.5	44.7	36.9	23.4	22.1	29.1	374.4
1949 : Nov.	17.3	15.9	151.9	22.0	45.7	38.0	23.4	21.7	28.7	364.6
Dec.	16.8	15.9	151.8	22.1	44.9	38.4	23.2	21.6	28.3	363.0
1950 : Jan.	17.2	16.0	154.9	22.3	44.4	38.2	23.1	21.2	28.2	365.5
1950 : Nov.	18.0	16.7	163.3	23.1	46.1	37.4	23.1	22.7	28.8	379.2
Dec.	17.9	16.6	162.6	23.0	45.5	38.2	23.0	22.4	28.4	377.6
1951 : Jan.	18.0	16.8	164.1	22.8	44.7	38.1	22.9	22.5	28.2	378.1

* See notes preceding Table 3; figures from July, 1949, subject to revision.

† Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

6. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit.†			
	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.
	£ thousand				£			
1944-45	4,642	4,819	4,589	4,835	6.67	6.89	6.54	6.86
1945-46	4,809	4,910	4,817	5,384	6.73	6.90	6.35	6.76
1946-47	5,495	5,949	5,713	6,246	6.69	7.09	6.72	7.23
1947-48	6,480	7,229	6,753	7,419	7.40	8.15	7.58	8.25
1948-49	7,759	8,436	7,730	8,493	8.58	9.24	8.41	9.24
1949-50	7,982	9,394	8,864	9,713	9.01	10.06	9.40	10.23
1950-51	9,989				10.46			

* Includes Australian Capital Territory.

† Total wages paid divided by total employment expressed in male units (i.e., total male employment plus 45 per cent. of total female employment).

7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*

Period	Unemployment Beneficiaries on last Saturday in Period	Benefits Paid during Period			
		Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
	Number	Amount—£			
Year : 1945-46	1,298	275,205	198,943	1,068	475,216
1946-47	1,400	172,141	258,782	6,772	437,695
1947-48	339	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	283	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50	335	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950 : February	381	529	22,836	18,923	42,288
March	315	327	28,951	14,405	43,683
April	305	828	22,802	10,312	33,942
May	287	709	22,170	13,337	36,216
June	335	908	32,845	12,557	46,310
July	525	1,021	17,474	5,602	24,097
August	418p	3,240	33,534	5,255	42,029
September	365p	2,534	28,287	5,140	35,961
October	n.y.a.	1,492	22,995	4,008	28,495
November	n.y.a.	2,085	28,472	5,341	35,898
December	n.y.a.	1,178	25,239	4,189	30,606
1951 : January	n.y.a.	4,092	21,270	2,987	28,349
February	n.y.a.	2,431	24,730	2,036	29,197

* Including Australian Capital Territory. † Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare
Monthly particulars are approximate.

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number	Thousands					
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1945	1,158	222	102	324	653	1,226	1,879
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950 : January	67	10	3	13	16	16	32
February	174	28	7	35	40	23	63
March	202	29	3	32	50	10	60
April	67	10	1	11	14	2	16
May	165	20	8	28	30	11	41
June	96	16	8	24	35	5	40
July	92	9	7	16	16	15	31
August	123	17	8	25	28	36	64
September	158	20	7	27	31	33	64
October	158	19	58	77	32	79	111
November	126	15	41	56	21	87	108
December	46	7	18	25	8	9	17
1951 : January	300	27	34	61	31	42	73

9. Broadcast Listeners' Licenses in Force in N.S.W.

At end of Month	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
January	423,649	570,080	608,306	699,023	712,718	730,458	750,455
March	427,964	573,205	616,116	702,890	721,625	733,391	
June	433,029	575,864	679,505	699,259	706,452	748,268	
September	432,795	585,985	698,312	704,106	724,031	743,003	
November	440,335	591,001	698,416	712,152	727,497	751,862	
December	441,934	598,643	703,577	710,542	727,918	755,464	

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

- Note.—1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).
 2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.
 3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.
 4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

10. Value of Building* Approved : Geographical Distribution

Period	Division of Cumberland			Balance of State	Total, N.S.W.
	Metropolis	Balance	Total		
	£ thousand				
PRIVATE BUILDING					
Year : 1946	18,070	6,831	24,901	11,123†	36,024†
1947	20,252	7,944	28,196	13,621	41,817
1948	22,595	10,745	33,340	16,103	49,443
1949	26,869	12,273	39,142	19,781	58,923
1950	37,215	17,916	55,131	26,987	82,118
1949 : Sept.	2,600	1,280	3,880	1,637	5,517
Oct.	2,552	1,202	3,754	2,077	5,831
Nov.	2,654	1,285	3,939	2,005	5,944
Dec.	1,938	1,211	3,149	1,532	4,681
1950 : Jan.	2,381	937	3,318	1,512	4,830
1950 : Sept.	3,425	1,611	5,036	2,264	7,300
Oct.	3,323	1,846	5,169	3,110	8,279
Nov.	3,775	1,823	5,598	2,498	8,096
Dec.	2,894	1,195	4,089	1,950	6,039
1951 : Jan.	3,252	1,463	4,715	1,978	6,693
GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	3,794	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6,445
1947	4,299	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7,322
1948	6,244	1,446	7,690	3,653	11,343
1949	7,550	1,574	9,124	5,120	14,244
1950	8,061	1,739	9,800	7,575	17,375
1949 : Sept.	745	106	851	777	1,628
Oct.	936	360	1,296	373	1,669
Nov.	520	60	580	709	1,289
Dec.	368	48	416	397	813
1950 : Jan.	416	110	526	404	930
1950 : Sept.	308	271	579	1,357	1,936
Oct.	1,174	168	1,342	664	2,006
Nov.	357	268	625	942	1,567
Dec.	693	239	932	570	1,502
1951 : Jan.	1,277	181	1,458	347	1,805
PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	21,864	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	42,469†
1947	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1949 : Sept.	3,345	1,386	4,731	2,414	7,145
Oct.	3,488	1,562	5,050	2,450	7,500
Nov.	3,174	1,345	4,519	2,714	7,233
Dec.	2,306	1,259	3,565	1,929	5,494
1950 : Jan.	2,797	1,047	3,844	1,916	5,760
1950 : Sept.	3,733	1,882	5,615	3,621	9,236
Oct.	4,497	2,014	6,511	3,774	10,285
Nov.	4,132	2,091	6,223	3,440	9,663
Dec.	3,587	1,434	5,021	2,520	7,541
1951 : Jan.	4,529	1,644	6,173	2,325	8,498

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

† Partly estimated.

II. Value of Private and Governmental Building* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
	£ thousand						
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND (Including Metropolis)							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1949 : October	3,290	123	7	89	368	1,173	5,050
November	3,596	235	7	116	275	290	4,519
December	2,797	214	1	92	299	162	3,565
1950 : January	3,188	90	...	65	205	296	3,844
1950 : October	4,344	457	21	144	404	1,141	6,511
November	4,264	310	5	118	844	682	6,223
December	3,020	234	1	75	773	918	5,021
1951 : January	3,620	111	157	113	676	1,496	6,173
NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1949 : October	5,306	153	11	140	382	1,508	7,500
November	5,465	299	7	157	362	943	7,233
December	4,302	292	8	121	332	439	5,494
1950 : January	4,434	106	7	103	425	685	5,760
1950 : October	6,580	530	44	305	650	2,176	10,285
November	6,422	346	13	282	986	1,614	9,663
December	4,826	328	42	144	871	1,330	7,541
1951 : January	5,257	157	190	233	718	1,943	8,498

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

12. New House and Flat Building: Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Government				Private and Government			
	Approved *	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †	Approved ‡	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †
HOUSES								
Year : 1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386
1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276
1949 : Mar. Qr.	998	782	728	4,633	7,777	4,818	3,769	22,249
June Qr.	990	874	971	4,536	8,342	5,461	4,597	23,113
Sept. Qr.	714	918	953	4,501	7,584	5,198	4,657	23,654
Dec. Qr.	822	845	857	4,489	8,180	5,875	5,253	24,276
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,048	1,051	777	4,763	8,691	5,933	4,123	26,086
June Qr.	830	951	827	4,887	8,563	5,049	4,733	26,402
Sept. Qr.	1,094	881	915	4,853	9,210	6,136	4,775	27,763
FLATS								
Year : 1947	350	160	9	204	1,399	712	365	703
1948	729	427	187	444	1,798	1,331	789	1,245
1949	639	630	285	789	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586
1949 : Mar. Qr.	109	132	24	552	310	322	181	1,386
June Qr.	187	124	24	752	436	380	217	1,549
Sept. Qr.	70	214	110	856	343	373	284	1,638
Dec. Qr.	273	60	127	789	589	285	337	1,586
1950 : Mar. Qr.	178	105	69	825	546	293	232	1,647
June Qr.	94	316	64	1,087	533	536	222	1,961
Sept. Qr.	81	117	69	1,135	347	306	220	2,047

* Contracts let and day labour projects authorised. † At end of period. ‡ Local Government permits to build plus contracts let and day labour projects authorised by Governmental Authorities.

13. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1946-47	261,644	16,539	30,353	25,886	4,467
1947-48	263,047	17,407	36,906	31,015	5,891
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
July-Jan.: 1949-50	146,877	8,760	21,806‡	21,334	472
1950-51	156,654	10,186	27,391	26,580	811
1949: Nov.	21,757	1,695	3,727	3,203	524
Dec.	21,962	1,393	3,737	3,383	354
1950: Jan.	23,153	1,379	3,683	3,359	324
1950: Nov.	21,470	1,632	4,250	3,687	563
Dec.	21,655	1,364	4,232	3,736	496
1951: Jan.	23,420	1,171	4,332	4,198	134

* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Railway passenger fares and freight charges were increased from 13th August, 1947; freights were increased again from 16th October, 1950, and fares from 1st November, 1950.

14. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1946-47	4,360	1,746	6,106	6,228	(—) 122
1947-48	5,310	2,544	7,854	7,895	(—) 41
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
July-Jan.:					
1949-50	2,800	2,477	5,277†	5,530	(—) 253
1950-51	2,912	2,858	5,770	6,250	(—) 480
1949: Nov.	429	356	785	779	6
Dec.	454	388	842	849	7
1950: Jan.	391	355	746	777	(—) 31
1950: Nov.	442	428	870	895	(—) 25
Dec.	461	456	917	965	(—) 48
1951: Jan.	429	435	864	947	(—) 83

* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£563,442 in year 1949-50). † Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Fares on Government trams and buses were increased from 1st July, 1947, 29th November, 1948, and 9th October, 1950.

15. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)								
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1945-46	2,661	2,034	1,157	414	1,580	152	5,398	2,600
1947-48	2,431	1,719	1,045	512	1,839	141	5,315	2,372
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1949: Dec. Qr.	709	497	210	134	492	32	1,411	663
1950: Mar. Qr.	836	501	233	140	376	26	1,445	667
June Qr.	847	483	246	161	466	41	1,559	685
Sept. Qr.	951	394	214	148	464	32	1,629	574
Dec. Qr.	928	493	219	143	449	31	1,596	667

16. Motor Vehicles on the Register* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1948 : June	210,506	2,594	3,545	127,413	344,058	30,076	18,317	4,959	397,410
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1950 : June	269,250	3,254	3,735	159,226	435,465	42,461	24,840	7,738	510,504
1949 : Nov.	244,397	3,064	3,614	146,708	397,783	38,963	22,637	6,889	466,272
Dec.	247,674	3,093	3,615	149,022	403,404	39,575	23,258	7,019	473,256
1950 : Jan.	249,783	3,120	3,623	150,317	406,843	40,051	23,768	7,070	477,732
1950 : Nov.	288,202	3,387	3,937	168,928	464,454	44,222	25,878	8,467	543,021
Dec.	291,832	3,404	4,045	170,894	470,175	44,531	26,528	8,604	549,838
1951 : Jan.	294,554	3,414	4,062	172,339	474,369	44,818	27,049	8,708	554,944

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

17. New Motor Vehicles Registered* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1946-47	7,998	7	116	5,487	13,608	2,850	3,204	19,662
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	185	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
July-Jan.:								
1949-50	19,392	69	129	10,061	29,651	4,902	3,089	37,642
1950-51	29,283	200	62	17,288	46,833	4,868	3,447	55,148
1949 : Nov.	3,993	20	28	1,703	5,744	841	395	6,980
Dec.	3,414	16	31	1,927	5,388	697	750	6,835
1950 : Jan.	2,461	4	10	1,402	3,877	738	677	5,292
1950 : Nov.	4,511	23	6	3,043	7,583	793	474	8,850
Dec.	3,757	66	9	2,221	6,053	623	713	7,389
1951 : Jan.	3,022	18	4	1,984	5,028	683	714	6,425

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

18. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities and Vans			
	Aus-tralia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
	Proportion per cent.				Number	Proportion per cent.			
Year: 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1946-47	...	53.2	46.8	...	7,998	19.3	80.7	...	5,487
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1949-50 : July-January	10.1	78.4	9.3	2.2	19,392	67.5	32.0	0.5	10,061
1950-51 : July-January	16.1	67.8	10.1	6.0	29,283	77.1	22.4	0.5	17,288
1949 : December	14.0	76.7	6.6	2.7	3,414	69.4	29.8	0.8	1,927
1950 : January	10.6	82.3	5.8	1.3	2,461	74.2	24.9	0.9	1,402
1950 : December	18.4	63.4	13.2	5.0	3,757	75.1	23.8	1.1	2,221
1951 : January	16.1	68.6	9.9	5.4	3,022	79.7	20.0	0.3	1,984

19. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1950 Dates)	1942	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 28	731	519	859	539	513	714	438p
2nd	Feb. 25	933	860	796	918	954	952	894p
3rd	Mar. 25	981	913	833	869	929	932	
4th	Apr. 22	886	859	804	964	908	925	
5th	May 20	1,003	674	773	878	970	1,013	
6th	June 17	965	906	990	883	926	1,038	
7th	July 15	918	798	992	941	225	923	
8th	Aug. 12	953	846	995	984	109	961	
9th	Sept. 9	1,028	911	994	1,061	1,117	1,144	
10th	Oct. 7	984	975	979	1,024	1,100	1,051	
11th	Nov. 4	973	1,017	1,092	696	1,108	1,120	
12th	Dec. 2	965	976	1,130	1,134	1,182	1,093	
13th†	Dec. 30	886	932	446	830	695	932	
Year: Underground		12,150	10,430	10,724	10,466	9,388	11,197	
Open Cut ...		56	756	959	1,255	1,348	1,601	
Total ...		12,206	11,186	11,683	11,721	10,736	12,798	

Eight Weeks ended—

	21st Feb.	16th Feb.	1st March	28th Feb.	26th Feb.	25th Feb.	24th Fe
Northern District ...	1,125	902	1,115	946	917	1,154	852
Southern District* ...	306	270	265	253	275	268	256
Western District ...	233	207	275	258	275	244	224
Total: Underground	n.a.	1,296	1,531	1,288	1,309	1,468	1,136
Open Cut ...	n.a.	83	124	169	158	198	196
Total ...	1,664	1,379	1,655	1,457	1,467	1,666	1,332p

* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts from 1942 to 1947.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays:	1942.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
In 1st Period ...	... Public holidays	2 weeks	...	1 week	2 weeks	{ N-1 wk. S&W-2 wks }	2 weeks
In 13th Period ...	... only.	...	2 weeks	1 week	{ N-2 wks. S&W-1 wk. }	1 week	

20. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
January	100	125	165	170	198	218	221	235
February	100	125	181	201	208	227	241	
March	100	130	185	199	212	231	238	
April	100	125	189	198	218	222	226	
May	100	128	192	198	203	229	237	
June	100	131	197	208	214	189	232	
July	100	134	195	212	199	118	214	
August	100	135	195	212	214	173	234	
September	100	134	201	214	223	228	236	
October	100	135	203	211	216	224	238	
November	100	136	200	214	226	239	246	
December	100	131	180	214	222	231	236	
Year	100	131	191	204	213	209	233	

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Statistics for 1948-49 are final. Figures from July, 1949, are subject to revision.

21. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
	Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1946-47	60,385	4,544	38,302	35,310	51,936	27,408	25,958
1947-48	76,066	5,909	46,475	31,614	58,978	30,556	25,480
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	32,104	29,676	24,480
1949-50p	82,469	6,287	49,030	27,542	32,677	30,661	35,535
1949-50 : July-Jan.	50,234	4,097	32,594	17,269	18,945	6,410	21,656
1950-51 : July-Jan.	50,763	4,761	29,091	16,565	14,998	7,139	13,780
1949 : November	10,088	888	6,188	3,015	2,090	164	4,867
December	10,459	879	6,732	3,204	4,002	2,694	2,329
1950 : January	8,908	695	6,814	1,985	4,730	3,223	5,015
1950 : November	9,585	964	5,958	2,774	1,155	237	1,931
December	10,452	1,069r	5,988	3,163	2,843	2,923	3,788
1951 : January	10,825	944	5,925	2,129	3,585	2,901	2,221

Period	Flour	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Malt	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Bushels	Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	640,915	43,611
1946-47	537,389	98,231	124,334	152,515	158,589	608,650	47,512
1947-48	532,460	97,375	119,840	163,130	138,203	656,696	48,068
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	168,448	153,853	633,741	53,299
1949-50p	579,458	98,608	132,893	161,710	148,107	616,749	61,558
1949-50 : July-Jan.	352,967	60,990	83,510	68,671	76,853	361,728	32,273
1950-51 : July-Jan.	391,154	65,336	86,003	75,038	103,250	362,618	40,467
1949 : November	57,768	10,218	13,576	8,057	16,733	54,982	6,210
December	53,179	9,160	12,226	4,776	11,011	46,864	5,230
1950 : January	44,150	7,562	10,006	6,666	10,074	36,477	4,250
1950 : November	51,410	8,709	11,410	10,923	15,406	55,405	5,821
December	52,450	8,846	10,895	7,374	11,341	43,524	5,495
1951 : January	58,993	9,865	12,911	6,925	10,836	43,217	4,464

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988	26,811	33,899
1946-47	9,206	21,570	5,278	28,460	35,169	50,654
1947-48	5,177	27,938	5,852	27,799	34,896	45,626
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	30,612	33,078	54,104
1949-50p	9,800	38,143	7,350	30,178	33,563	54,375
1949-50 : July-Jan.	5,742	20,952	4,699	17,107	18,725	28,952
1950-51 : July-Jan.	2,202	19,912	4,441	17,272	19,200	36,427
1949 : November	1,247	3,946	748	2,900	3,419	5,131
December	1,212	2,858	843	2,020	2,446	5,052
1950 : January	1,131	2,156	914	1,433	1,926	4,972
1950 : November	557	3,133	741	2,398	3,159	5,357
December	397	2,110	870	1,847	2,320	5,202
1951 : January	202	1,593	789	1,346	1,722	5,277

* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

22. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year : 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1946-47	43,607	11,212	1,184†	926†	1,312†	16,744	3,229
1947-48	50,599	11,780	1,366†	1,030†	1,343†	18,093	3,546
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50p	47,288	11,290	1,221	1,001	1,246	18,031	3,756
1949-50 : July-Jan.	27,277	6,080	666	560	685	10,093	2,025
1950-51 : July-Jan.	22,416	7,364	906	686	840	11,293	2,485
1949 : November	4,327	1,285	126	108	128	1,546	324
December	4,260	820	113	103	132	1,500	313
1950 : January	5,086	771	112	100	116	1,393	306
1950 : November	3,108	1,211r	142	103	131	1,586	348
December	2,966	980	128	98	118	1,534	334
1951 : January	4,485	547	101	75	93	1,511	329

* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

23. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies		Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.	Trucks, Trailers and Vans	Other	
Number							
Year : 1938-39	977	1,214	26,671*		3,553	2,023	36,416
1946-47	2,803	8,943	82,382*		2,071	774	30,259
1947-48	2,839	11,165	80,465*	25,533*	2,384	988	28,567
1948-49	2,343	16,666	184,290	32,338	3,391	1,145	27,605
1949-50p	2,158	17,164	278,815	28,640	3,618	1,110	27,939
1949-50 : July-Jan.	1,291	8,627	142,447	14,141	1,993	608	16,271
1950-51 : July-Jan.	1,291	12,352	197,759	19,302	3,093	442	17,906
1949 : November	210	1,764	29,863	2,989	355	132	3,387
December	209	1,262	25,005	2,266	333	94	3,898
1950 : January	163	1,003	19,677	1,794	212	78	1,829
1950 : November	202	1,938	31,627	3,076	570	69	3,400
December	220r	1,891	31,988	2,213	488	43	2,974
1951 : January	180	1,146	19,812	1,496	268	78	1,433

* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

24. Production of Clothing

Period	Hats (Felt)	Corsets and Corselets	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
				Dress	Work*		
	Dozen			Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year : 1938-39	135,262	46,112	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1946-47	142,781	37,287	87,564	16,562	119,560	7,201	3,041
1947-48	140,662	44,285	84,945	13,866	104,793	6,250	3,143
1948-49	147,498	46,521	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1949-50p	113,486	41,950	161,056	7,280	104,622	5,561	2,665
1949-50 : July-Jan.	53,304	22,090	82,728	3,730	55,891	3,545	1,596
1950-51 : July-Jan.	67,146	26,172	107,130	8,523	75,172	3,623	1,568
1949 : November	10,517	4,315	16,682	714	10,214	557	266
December	10,932	3,617	11,986	537	8,083	407	218
1950 : January	10,962	3,586	5,816	279	5,171	454	154
1950 : November	10,383	4,976	17,570	1,523	11,266	574	282
December	9,474	3,241	12,704	1,242	8,546	402	180
1951 : January	17,259	1,911	9,678	642	9,644	475	144

* Excluding articles of rubber.

25. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native)	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons	
Year : 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1946-47	300.9	249,533	19,523	230	9,657	3,397	393,397
1947-48	332.6	303,221	21,594	2,841	9,018	3,985	441,023
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,642	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50p	340.5	293,356	21,615	8,364	8,922	4,161	563,267
1949 : July-Dec.	179.8	134,761	10,311	3,359	3,892	1,888	247,647
1950 : July-Dec.	162.2	172,525	10,725	5,342	5,006	2,477	310,891
1949 : November	28.8	33,692	2,326	804	896	384	52,077
December	32.3	24,435	1,921	709	762	321	47,126
1950 : January	33.7	20,598	1,749	781	692	288	42,906
1950 : November	33.1	31,401	2,115	885	922	446	49,974
December	30.3	23,019	1,526	643	471	313	37,289
1951 : January	32.2	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	613	n.y.a.	38,180

Period	Paint (Ready- Mixed)	Lacquers, Enamels, etc.	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Gas Meters
			Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric		
					Stoves	Stovettes	
	Thousand gal.		Number				
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930		24,619
1946-47	1,568	1,138	12,033	12,883	31,221		32,675
1947-48	1,762	1,404	11,748	14,627	8,942	27,912	43,552
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	24,903	44,249
1949-50p	1,863	1,843	10,798	20,071	12,665	23,128	39,870
1949 : July-Dec.	928	819	4,883	9,360	5,487	9,544	18,295
1950 : July-Dec.	1,227	983	7,435	12,509	9,200	17,161	20,828
1949 : November	194	181	1,134	2,146	1,650	2,370	3,403
December	151	128	909	1,797	983	2,206	3,069
1950 : January	103	131	721	1,374	1,015	1,662	2,052
1950 : November	243	194	1,423	2,514	1,731	3,715	3,707
December	176	140	1,145	1,629	1,317	2,522	2,217
1951 : January	134	126	836	1,593	785	1,777	2,307

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks		Bath Heaters			Coppers (complete)			
		Stainless Steel	Other	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	
Number										
Year :	1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1946-47	n.a.	6,969	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1947-48	35,219	13,079	n.a.	35,696	28,337	7,375	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1948-49	45,646	12,867	34,065	35,201	22,414	6,301	58,969	24,256	14,121
	1949-50p	44,310	16,549	21,687	45,216	13,691	7,298	78,380	20,277	9,946
1949 :	July-Dec.	20,968	7,011	10,533	22,846	6,360	3,395	31,018	9,580	4,818
1950 :	July-Dec.	23,890r	11,566	11,078	19,309	8,983	4,291	52,026	12,191	6,037
1949 :	November	4,270	1,766	1,788	2,584	1,498	961	5,655	2,231	1,200
	December	3,681	1,207	1,513	2,069	1,258	689	7,568	1,794	1,081
1950 :	January	3,218	729	1,281	1,529	751	370	6,246	1,302	518
1950 :	November	4,787	2,013	2,494	2,469	1,428	736	8,354	2,466	1,366
	December	3,249r	1,565	1,475	829	1,459	673	9,102	1,578	866
1951 :	January	2,445	1,130	1,242	2,043	1,057	375	6,004	1,198	665

26. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators, Household			Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators
	Electric	Gas	Kerosene		
	Number				
Year : 1938-39	.....	13,102	.....	133,760	42,282
1946-47	21,567	12,598	6,810	196,978	48,859
1947-48	31,772	25,591	9,195	213,226	56,201
1948-49	50,995	21,924	11,313	180,023	45,754
1949-50p	53,956	11,919	17,539	217,155	43,363
1949-50 : July-Jan.	31,339	8,360	9,618	106,002	23,363
1950-51 : July-Jan.	39,263	n.a.	n.a.	161,636	29,380
1949 : November	6,683	1,583	1,561	18,568	4,493
December	6,791	1,738	1,645	13,636	3,381
1950 : January	4,445	751	1,057	16,634	4,087
1950 : November	7,032	n.a.	1,930	21,247	5,050
December	6,578	n.a.	1,878	20,595	4,160
1951 : January	4,432	n.a.	n.a.	16,123	4,384

Period	Mattresses			Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
	Spring	Inner Spring	Other		
	Number					Tons
Year : 1938-39	79,140	17,407	n.a.	20,960	85,501
1946-47	59,782	36,296	129,937	22,377	113,572
1947-48	59,491	52,582	181,078	24,611	111,101
1948-49	55,590	85,574	166,699	28,780	94,542
1949-50p	74,401	103,414	191,917	33,041	88,264
1949-50: July-Jan.	41,169	55,089	106,558	16,646	45,153
1950-51 : July-Jan.	36,091	76,403	99,724	21,578	62,053
1949 : November	7,029	10,641	17,526	3,622	8,791
December	6,949	8,338	15,048	3,474	8,936
1950 : January	4,168	6,332	11,755	3,747	9,609
1950 : November	5,615	14,037	16,892	3,239	9,527
December	4,390	10,383	13,559	2,541	10,185
1951 : January	2,748	9,175	10,657	2,435	8,184

Period	Soap			Soap Extracts and Powders	Glycerine (Refined)
	Household	Toilet	Other		
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	321,957	107,390	58,345	60,102	18,964
1946-47	161,822	188,232	79,311	196,457	21,928
1947-48	217,042	224,716	114,345	279,658	20,019
1948-49	234,127	219,348	159,753	340,955	35,189
1949-50p	213,686	240,526	130,156	419,026	34,110
1949-50 : July-Jan.	121,542	127,022	70,567	233,088	16,789
1950-51 : July-Jan.	118,928	125,386	52,709	230,921	25,623
1949 : November	18,898	26,607	14,523	33,788	3,544
December	13,074	17,961	6,501	20,274	2,636
1950 : January	11,237	15,770	9,529	20,650	1,761
1950 : November	16,923	21,332	8,858r	36,409	4,404
December	19,281	14,818	6,758r	28,392	3,272
1951 : January	14,439	16,496	7,021	17,185	1,454

27. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1950 : January	101	193	115	85	130	59	174	110	120	70	126	167	97
February	220	346	337	361	309	218	343	361	339	220	210	264	226
March	70	286	437	371	283	50	286	445	354	85	56	340	110
April	236	252	141	168	202	302	238	121	174	138	145	285	159
May	101	113	118	117	112	117	122	107	112	36	101	209	75
June	276	217	89	161	186	235	224	90	143	477	561	306	476
July	365	248	143	307	253	325	230	143	188	476	304	210	399
August	71	121	84	42	86	72	132	79	92	207	205	104	193
September	130	141	94	72	115	109	135	95	107	79	108	106	90
October	322	417	269	392	339	313	353	261	291	192	186	252	198
November	305	373	168	275	276	333	330	157	224	191	285	136	208
December	16	17	67	63	38	11	20	69	49	88	73	37	78
1951 : January	177	145	62	80	120	143	145	56	90	240	375	183	268
February	77	102	134	63	101	82	88	131	114	76	72	190	90

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

WOOL

28. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1941-42	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50
Sheep ... mill.	48.9	56.7	44.1	43.1	46.1	50.4	53.3
Sheep shorn ... mill.	51.5	58.5	45.4	43.1	43.7	48.1	53.6
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	547.0	431.5	432.6	422.3	463.2	515.0

* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

29. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1949-50 : July-Feb.	861.8	191.1	54.8	1,107.7	89.5	46.8	23.5	159.8
1950-51 : July-Feb.	877.6	152.8	50.5	1,080.9	127.7	24.7	13.0	165.4
1949 : December	87.5	23.1	7.7	118.3	244.0	60.4	32.0	336.4
1950 : January	33.8	11.1	0.8	45.7	168.1	69.5	32.8	270.4
February	26.9	6.4	0.3	33.6	89.5	46.8	23.5	159.8
1950 : December	91.1	16.7	5.1	112.9	300.7	49.8	25.7	376.2
1951 : January	51.3	9.3	1.1	61.7	208.1	48.2	18.1	274.4
February	36.7	5.6	0.5	42.8	127.7	24.7	13.0	165.4

30. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
Thousand bales *					£ thousand				
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48	882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1949-50: July-Feb.	837.2	134.0	31.8	946.9	56.1	62,049	10,028	2,559	74,635
1950-51: July-Feb.	761.0	129.3	37.6	872.7	55.2	138,655	24,352	7,096	170,103
1949 : December	122.5	26.1	8.3	149.5	7.4	9,964	2,258	713	12,935
1950 : January	109.2	...	...	103.7	5.5	10,812	...	...	10,812
February	105.1	27.2	9.5	135.9	5.9	9,825	2,518	852	13,195
1950 : December	55.8	...	...	50.9	4.9	9,696	...	...	9,696
1951 : January	143.9	11.0	8.7	157.7	5.9	32,436	2,643	1,934	37,013
February	117.1	29.0	5.6	147.1	4.6	28,624	7,148	1,309	37,081

* Scoured bales not converted to greasy basis.

31. Prices of Greasy Wool, Sydney and New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction		Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month		
	Sydney	New South Wales *		1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
	Pence per lb.			Pence per lb.		
1938-39	10.3	†	September	47.0	45.0	118.0
1939-40†	13.4	†	October	43.5	52.0	118.0
1945-46†	15.1	†	November	48.5	55.5	128.0
1946-47	23.3	23.6	December	53.0	60.5	129.0
1947-48	37.2	37.9	January	53.0	74.5	166.0p
1948-49	46.1	46.8	February	54.5	71.0	177.5p
1949-50	60.7	61.8	June	45.0	78.5	

* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Prior to 1939-45 War, nearly all New South Wales wool was sold in Sydney.

32. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1935-36 to 1944-45*	15,875†	4,194,269	3,832,414	48,480,000	12.7
1945-46	n.a.	4,213,431	3,773,901	62,520,000	16.6
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	25,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51p	n.y.a.	3,502,000	3,361,000	44,000,000	13.1

* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

33. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period*	Australian Wheat Board		Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers‡	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat ; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
	Export Price†¶	Home Consumption Price‡¶		For Commercial Export
				(Can.) Cents per bushel
s. d. per bushel				
Season : 1938-39	2 6.1	2 5.9	2 2.8	62.0
1946-47	14 1	3 11.3	10 3.8	244.0
1947-48	19 4.7	6 0.3	13 7.2r	287.9
1948-49	15 8.2	6 8	9 2.0p	226.3
1949-50	18 5.8	6 8	10 8.1p	218.6
1950 : June	18 6.8	6 8		206.2
July	18 6	6 8		206.1
August	18 6	6 8		203.6
September	18 6	6 8		199.0
October	18 6	6 8		195.7
November	18 6	6 8		194.2
December	18 6	7 5.5		196.4
1951 : January	18 6	7 10		201.5
February	18 9.6	7 10		213.1

* Yearly averages are for years ended July for Australian export and Canadian wheats, and for years ended November for Australian home consumption wheat. † Basic export selling price for non-contract wheat and wheat in excess of International Wheat Agreement quota; much wheat is sold under contract at fixed prices for delivery over lengthy periods. Current maximum and minimum prices under International Agreement are 16s. 1d. and 13s. 5d. per bushel. ‡ To millers, bulk basis, f.o.r. ports. § Allowing for cost of bags and including Governmental assistance to wheat growers. ¶ For Australian wheat the bases are—Export : 1938-39, weighted average shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide ; 1946-47 to 1948-49, average for bulk and bagged wheat f.o.r. ports ; 1949-50, f.a.q. bulk wheat f.o.b. ; Home Consumption : whole-sale price in Sydney for f.a.q. wheat.

34. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period.	Year	July-Dec.	September	October	November	December
	Thousand gallons.					
1934-35 to 1938-39*	331,963	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1939-40 to 1943-44*	300,682	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	254,094	115,247	17,040	20,256	21,627	25,007
1947-48	295,371	138,194	18,686	24,985	26,299	35,151
1948-49	291,915	138,607	20,556	27,860	28,027	29,714
1949-50p	307,115	154,599	22,207	30,511	33,871	35,001
1950-51p		153,664	21,960	31,011	33,710	35,670

* Annual average.

35. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
	s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.	
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1949 : December	2 9.6	1 11.1
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	1950 : January	2 9.6	1 11.1
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	February	2 9.6	1 11.1
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	1950 : December	2 9.6p	1 11.1
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	1951 : January	2 9.6p	1 11.1
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5	February	2 9.6p	1 11.1

* United Kingdom contract price, f.o.b., Australia, except 1938-39, which is Sydney parity of average top price, London, weighted by monthly New South Wales exports. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

36. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia			Gold Production
	Merchandise						
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	
	£A million f.o.b.						
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3	14.6
1946-47	93.0	116.5	23.5	208.3	308.9	100.6	9.9
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9	9.7
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0	10.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.2	611.6	75.4	12.5
1949-50 : July-Jan.	113.9	110.2	(—) 3.7	284.6	309.0	24.4	7.0
1950-51 : July-Jan.	160.0	168.1	8.1	396.5	488.5	92.0	n.y.a.
1949 : November	14.9	18.3	3.4	40.1	52.2	12.1	1.3
December	16.1	17.1	1.0	44.6	51.5	6.9	1.1
1950 : January	20.2	19.3	(—) 0.9	44.5	51.8	7.3	1.0
November	22.3	32.7	10.4	58.3	96.1	37.8	1.2
December	18.8	28.1	9.3	49.5	72.2	22.7	1.0
1951 : January	26.2	34.3	8.1	62.4	99.7	37.3	n.y.a.

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

37. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

Sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1939-40	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
£ million							
July	15.3	22.0	25.7	27.8	35.3	36.2	50.6
August	16.8	20.2	28.7	32.1	39.7	35.7	53.4
September	19.4	23.7	29.0	32.0	39.1	41.0	57.6
October	19.2	22.4	26.6	30.9	37.5	44.8	59.2
November	17.5	39.1	24.7	32.7	39.4	40.1	46.1
December	18.3	{	27.8	34.2	35.1	51.4	
June	17.1		28.0	34.7	37.0	47.4	
Year ended June	204.3	264.8	320.3	382.5	452.8	537.8	

38. Retail Trade: Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number						Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.	
Year : 1946	301	302	+ 32.2	+ 3.8	+ 28.0	+ 20.0		
1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7r		
1949 : August	26	27	— 2.8	+ 6.1	+ 11.8	— 1.8	— 5.3	+ 11.2
Sept.	26	26	+ 4.1	+ 5.8	+ 9.6	— 2.2	— 4.5	+ 8.3
Oct.	25	25	+ 10.0	+ 5.8	+ 8.9	— 2.0	+ 3.5	+ 10.1
Nov.	26	26	+ 13.2	+ 6.3	+ 10.9	— 2.0	+ 9.1	+ 9.8
Dec.	24	25	+ 8.2	+ 3.8	+ 11.3	+ 0.4	+ 10.3	+ 10.5
1950 : Jan.	23	24	+ 7.6	+ 4.1	+ 5.7	— 3.0	+ 9.7	+ 9.4
August	27	27	+ 39.1	+ 1.2	+ 14.8	+ 4.9	+ 28.7	+ 13.8
Sept.	26	26	+ 27.9	+ 5.7	+ 16.6	+ 3.7	+ 32.9	+ 16.4
Oct.	25	25	+ 21.4	+ 8.9	+ 17.2	+ 4.5	+ 29.4	+ 16.2
Nov.	26	26	+ 14.1	+ 9.0	+ 13.2	+ 3.9	+ 20.9	+ 15.5
Dec.	25	24	+ 14.0	+ 10.1	+ 20.5	+ 3.5r	+ 16.2	+ 17.1
1951 : Jan.	24	25	+ 41.4	+ 7.8	+ 36.0	+ 5.1	+ 20.9	+ 23.0

Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 4.

BANKING

Of the 18 trading banks which conduct business in Australia, 14 operate in New South Wales comprising 9 private trading banks, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W. and 3 overseas banks.

39. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits*	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
NINE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1948 : June	716.8	27.5†	45.6	19.1	59.5	293.0	348.8
1949 : June*	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1950 : June	1,004.9	45.8	51.1	20.2	96.5	442.8	427.2
1949 : December	914.6	17.1	58.0	44.4	77.5	337.5	404.0
1950 : January	929.8	18.6	59.4	37.0	84.7	364.5	400.9
1950 : December	1,133.5	60.4	62.1	36.8	83.7	486.0	490.5
1951 : January	1,159.1	48.7	64.8	41.8	85.9	498.5	482.0

COMMONWEALTH BANK (OTHER THAN CENTRAL BANKING)

1947 : June	59.4	0.3	6.4	2.1	35.7	...	28.9
1948 : June	61.8	0.3	7.0	0.8	33.6	...	37.9
1949 : June	69.9	11.0	5.9	...	34.4	...	57.7
1950 : June	87.8	15.9	4.9	6.5	29.8	...	95.7
1949 : December	97.7	14.8	20.9	...	41.1	...	72.2
1950 : January	91.7	15.5	14.9	...	41.1	...	74.2
1950 : December	120.8	17.3	13.7	20.3	33.6	...	93.0
1951 : January	106.2	17.4	6.9	19.4	27.8	...	98.8

ALL (18) TRADING BANKS

1947 : June	723.5	3.0	43.1	17.2	127.9	277.2	352.1
1948 : June	800.0	28.6	56.5	21.0	106.4	294.0	424.6
1949 : June*	914.8	61.0	49.1	12.2	111.5	382.8	482.9
1950 : June	1,131.9	62.0	59.4	27.9	139.0	447.8	574.2
1949 : December	1,042.2	32.1	83.0	45.0	130.5	339.2	522.0
1950 : January	1,053.6	34.3	78.2	38.0	138.2	366.2	521.2
1950 : December	1,296.3	77.8	80.3	58.6	128.7	488.9	641.4
1951 : January	1,309.2	66.3	76.3	64.1	126.0	501.4	637.5

* Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £9,000,000 in January and £2,600,000 in July, 1949). † In nine trading banks, the increase after June, 1947, consists mainly of short-term loans from Central Bank.

40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Nine Trading Banks				Commonwealth Bank*		All (14) Banks	
	Deposits†			Advances†	Deposits	Advances	Deposits†	Advances†
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
	£ million							
1947: June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948 : June	197.5	67.9	265.4	142.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1949 : June†	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.5	27.0	358.5	208.6
1950 : June	311.8	82.2	394.0	166.2	49.2	37.5	470.7	242.0
1949 : Dec.	270.7	76.2	346.9	154.3	47.1	33.2	413.1	221.8
1950 : Jan.	281.5	77.6	359.1	151.6	46.3	34.1	425.6	220.2
1950 : Dec.	356.0	82.0	438.0	190.9	60.1	43.7	526.8	277.0
1951 : Jan.	361.9	81.5	443.4	183.7	56.4	45.0	528.3	270.3

* Other than Central Banking. † Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £5.8 m. in January, and £0.7 m. in July, 1949).

41. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year : 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,087
1949 : October	2,107	16,998		15,205	247,918	5,976	727,881
November	2,105	16,135		15,697	248,356	5,984	729,504
December	2,111	18,030		17,367	249,019	5,992	732,127
1950 : January	2,120	16,217		14,643	250,594	6,016	735,773
1950 : October	2,084	17,883		18,304	259,274	6,021	766,612
November	2,091	17,949		18,273	258,951	6,041	766,665
December	2,097	20,865		19,674	260,142	6,053	769,224
1951 : January	2,113	18,408		16,862	261,688	6,092	773,668

* At end of period.

Savings Certificates.—The issue of savings certificates ceased on 31st January, 1949. The net amounts outstanding in New South Wales and Australia at various dates were :—

At 30th June	N.S.W.	Australia	End of Month	N.S.W.	Australia
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
1940	2,440	6,100	1949-Sept.	24,369	60,357
1947	21,983	59,526	Dec.	23,610	58,431
1948	25,719	64,483			
1949	25,081	62,198	1950-Sept.	21,525	53,299
1950	22,341	55,025	Dec.	20,651	51,423

42. Inter-Bank Clearings, Sydney

Value of cheques drawn on a bank other than the bank in which they were deposited

Period	Amount of Clearings—£ million					Index Number of Clearings				
	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
July	70.5	183.4	230.3	244.7	302.7	101	229	291	326	402
August	72.9	162.4	199.3	208.5	283.7	101	227	287	314	398
September	77.6	176.9	229.7	271.1	354.6	99	232	293	303	393
October	79.5	197.3	238.2	259.2	368.5	101	234	291	302	413
November	82.7	203.8	237.3	291.6	378.3	102	243	298	328	442
December	88.1	192.2	246.5	304.9	412.3	102	243	296	350	474
January	66.5	171.3	191.4	247.6	361.6	98	236	282	352	481
February	75.5	182.0	213.2	282.1	391.1	96	231	274	351	493
March	80.5	196.4	238.0	358.0		93	230	267	367	
April	70.7	205.9	244.7	272.9		98	253	300	391	
May	82.0	233.1	261.2	324.2		100	269	315	402	
June	80.3	230.1	269.8	332.3		101	289	336	402	
Year	926.8	2,334.8	2,799.6	3,397.1		99	248	298	356	

The index may be regarded as an approximate measure of changes in the volume of business transactions settled by cheques provided it is considered in conjunction with changes in price levels. It represents the ratio of each month's clearings to the average for the month concerned during the five years 1926-1930. This average is represented by 100 each month. Seasonal fluctuations have thus been eliminated. Casual fluctuations in monthly index numbers have been smoothed out by taking a three months' moving average, that is, the index shown above for each month is the average of the actual index of that month and the preceding two months. It may be compared vertically or horizontally.

43. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000	
					3 months	24 months				
Per cent. per annum										
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	5.75§	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50||	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1947-48	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950 : March	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.12	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
April	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
May	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
June	4.4	4.3	1.94	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
July	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
August	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
September	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
October	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
November	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
December	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951 : January	4.4	4.3	1.98	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75

* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Estimated by Commonwealth Bank from securities maturing under 5 years (short) and 10 or more years (long). 1938-39 subject to Commonwealth Income Tax rates not exceeding those in 1930, later years to current tax rates. § Rate current at end of period. ¶ Applies to certain banks; later rates are maximum permitted by regulation. || 1½ to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942. || From December, 1945, rate on first £10,000 of deposits 1.50 per cent., on excess 1 per cent.

44. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Dis- tributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1948 : Sept.	359.6	316.0	173.1	184.5	414.6	264.2	276.1
1949 : Mar.	345.1	288.3	165.2	180.6	464.1	254.6	262.2
June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
Sept.	340.1	289.1	157.8	183.7	473.6	252.1	259.0
Dec.	365.6	295.3	158.1	193.1	497.3	265.9	273.7
1950 : Feb.	378.1	310.8	159.7	200.3	533.0	277.5	282.6
Mar.	389.4	315.2	159.0	202.6	545.4	285.4	285.6
June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
Aug.	402.0	323.8	158.5	234.9	595.7	296.9	303.3
Sept.	419.1	330.4	157.2	254.3	601.6	306.4	310.4
Oct.	429.1	338.5	156.5	249.8	611.2	312.1	315.4
Nov.	468.1	357.9	164.3	279.4	673.0	334.8	335.7
Dec.	468.3	356.8	164.6	279.3	683.6	334.9	334.3
1951 : Jan.	485.6	374.8	166.3	308.2	680.6	346.9	349.0
Feb.	486.1	380.6	167.7	309.9	696.5	349.3	346.4

* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

45. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages
	Number	£ thousand				
Year : 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1949-50 : July-Feb.	65,712	69,503	34,699	334	1,857	1,863
1950-51 : July-Feb.	71,291	121,956	47,471	231	2,778	2,019
1949 : December	7,527	9,606	6,543	41	176	182
1950 : January	7,457	9,346	3,555	22	146	175
February	8,088	10,314	4,187	25	170	192
1950 : December	6,931	15,623	4,244	17	259	200
1951 : January	8,418	17,300	6,232	8	255	248
February	8,528	15,778	6,079	19	340	257

* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

46. Life Assurance, New South Wales.

(a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year† : 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1945	53,927	23,999	109,862	7,513	31,512
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949‡	92,446	49,662	114,916	11,430	61,092
1950‡	95,446	59,496	106,559	11,139	70,635
1949 : September	11,369	5,543	12,518	1,280	6,823
October	6,728	3,457	12,968	1,279	4,736
November	8,741	5,038	10,382	1,039	6,077
December	9,761	6,226	6,166	629	6,855
1950 : September	11,600	6,455	11,094	1,170	7,625
October	6,355	4,179	10,620	1,097	5,276
November	8,970	6,083	8,787	931	7,014
December	9,646	7,636	5,504	580	8,216

* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregate of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified). ‡ Total of monthly figures, January to December.

(b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate.	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year : 1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1949 : September	597	87	270	954
October	1,160	80	286	1,526
November	935	80	293	1,308
December	1,106	69	416	1,591
1950 : September	865	150	348	1,363
October	1,349	101	413	1,863
November	1,569	98	324	1,991
December	2,716	86	480	3,282

* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

47. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-February		Item	July-February	
	1949-50	1950-51		1949-50	1950-51
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Taxes—			Social Services*—		
Customs	49,841	58,837	Invalid, Age Pensions	28,823	31,032
Excise	43,232	48,095	Child Endowment... ..	19,565	30,151
Sales	27,065	34,926	Hospital Benefits	4,700	4,518
Income Tax	59,751	71,016	Other	7,900	9,191
Social Services Contribution	61,636	53,943			
Wool Deduction ... ..	...	47,234	Total, Social Services*	60,988	74,892
Payroll	14,684	18,079	To States—		
Estate	3,723	3,397	Tax Reimbursements	33,171	39,989
Entertainments	3,126	3,238	Other	28,533	25,284
Other	1,854	1,614	Capital Works	37,271	40,018
Total Taxes	264,912	340,379	Post Office‡	26,658	31,483
Post Office	24,597	28,338	Broadcasting‡	1,753	2,286
Broadcasting	1,246	1,265	Railways‡	1,477	1,667
Railways	1,157	1,234	Territories‡	4,187	5,120
Territories	524	707	Defence Services	24,068	50,173
Other	12,513	7,127	War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45†... ..	59,797	44,776
			Subsidies ... ..	...	25,455
	304,949	379,050	Debt Charges	39,609	41,905
Primary Production†	10,578	34,865	Other	28,289	34,068
			Primary Production†	10,578	34,865
Total Revenue	315,527	413,915	Total Expenditure	356,379	451,981

* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund (other than War and Repatriation which is included above) in the eight months ended February, consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £12,800,000 in 1950-51, and £9,965,000 in 1949-50.

48. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE				EXPENDITURE			
Item	July-February		Item	July-February			
	1949-50	1950-51		1949-50	1950-51		
	£ thousand			£ thousand			
From Commonwealth—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ...	10,768	11 790		
Towards Interest	1,945	1,945	Less—Recoups from other Activities	1,150	1 147		
Reimbursement of Taxes...	13,592	16,304	Net Debt Charges	9,618	10,643		
Stamp and Probate Duty	5,767	7,501	Other than Debt Charges—				
Other Taxes	1,340	1,449	Governmental	26,748	30,679		
Land	1,966	2,008	Business Undertakings	31,129	38,321		
Services	1,334	1,532					
Other	4,673	5,216					
Total Governmental	30,617	35,955	Total Expenditure	67,495	79,643		
Business Undertakings	34,843*	38,882					
Total Revenue	65,460	74,837					

Loan Expenditure on works and services during the eight months ended February was gross £20,311,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £18,669,000 in 1950-51, compared with gross £15,599,000 and net £14,418,000 in 1949-50.

* Includes Commonwealth grant of £3,200,000 towards losses caused by general coal strike.

49. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities constituting at present about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
g (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
s (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1947-48	287	420	193	372	146	296	283
1948-49	365	413	233	478	171	348	332
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1949 : November	419	382	250	441	200	370	357
December	456	394	250	427	200	390	375
1950 : January	562	395	250	432	200	444	425
1950 : November	965p	436	250††	704	200††	671p	637p
December	973p	437r	250††	700	200††	675pr	640pr
1951 : January	1,252p	436p	250††	713	200††	814p	770p

* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, spelter, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

50. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Australia on—	Quotation	1938-39	1946	1949	1950	1951
		Average	June	June	June	February
London ...	£A to £stg.100	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25
New Zealand ...	£A to £N.Z.100	100.33	100.25	124.27	124.27	124.27
South Africa ...	£A. to £S.A.100	124.70	124.88	124.88	124.88	124.88
Montreal ...	Can. \$ to £A.1	3.79	3.54	3.22	2.46	2.34
New York ...	U.S. \$ to £A.1	3.78	3.22	3.22	2.24	2.24
France ...	francs to £A.1	141.75	383.24	875.85	782.44	782.44
Belgium ...	francs to £A.1	111.58	141.02	141.02	111.78	111.78
India ...	rupees to £A.1	10.69	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.64

51. Wholesale Price Index : Basic Materials and Foodstuffs

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal, and one or two minor commodities, the index may be deemed to represent movements of wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	1025	815	970	992	1029	991	1020	1011
1945-46	1302	1518	1766	1490	1348	1782	1257	1412
1947-48	1460	2833	1898	1655	1532	1924	1448	1588
1948-49	1849	3419	1983	1884	1747	2008	1727	1809
1949-50	2144	4335	2247	2145	1979	2231	1982	2054
1949 : Oct.	2093	3665	2080	2011	1878	2086	1877	1938
Nov.	2093	3864	2081	2073	1917	2171	1913	1988
Dec.	2144	4239	2081	2128	1973	2208	1975	2043
1950 : Oct.†	2377	7528†	2460	2566†	2209	2468	2331†	2372†
Nov.†	2462	7968†	2540	2648†	2246	2503	2399†	2429†
Dec.†	2557	8048†	2549	2703†	2199	2547	2380†	2429†

* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

† See Special Note at foot of page 28.

52. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom		Canada	United States	France
	Commonwealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Economist	Dominion Statistician	Bureau of Labour and Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	1011	1021	1004	958	925	935	948	1117
1945-46	1412	1567	1585	1673	1610	1321	1325	5340
1947-48	1588	1730	1741	2032	2055	1797	1970	14514
1948-49	1809	1801	1859	2179	2184	1987	1991	20319
1949-50	2054	1835	1954	2365	2348	1994	1882	21957
1948 : June	1667	1818	1829	2170	2172	1913	2042	18430
Dec.	1827	1784	1832	2157	2196	2010	1995	21482
1949 : June	1858	1793	1907	2266	2212	1969	1898	19749
Dec.	2043	1823	1936	2355	2344	1976	1858	21820
1950 : April	2222	1847	1966	2439	2417	2017	1879	22856
May	2208	1946	2008	2494r	2497	2038	1916	22692
June	2229	1987	2048	2510r	2507	2079	1933	22180
July	2231	1997	2056	2542r	2545	2102	2002	23139
Aug.	2319*	2003	2063	2580r	2579	2123	2045	24054
Sept.	2336*	2009	2081	2659r	2680	2187	2083	24392r
Oct.	2372*	2019	2082	2731r	2743	2174	2078	24741
Nov.	2429*	2095	2112	2824r	2792	2192	2108r	25112
Dec.	2429*	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	2856	2821	2213	n.y.a.	26256

* See Special Note at foot of page 28.

53. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and "All Items")

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "All Items"	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	841	939	933	...
1943 : June*	1065	1042	1479	1162	1165	24.9
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22.3
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28.0
1948 : June	1235	1046	1748	1267	1305	39.9
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	52.7
1949 : December	1421	1049	2161	1389	1486	59.3
1950 : March	1459	1049	2190	1435	1515	62.4
June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	67.6
September	1599	1050	2373	1473	1613	72.9
December	1713	1050	2447	1527	1680	80.1

(b) Districts of New South Wales ("All Items")

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns†
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1943 : June*	1165	1126	1185	1140	1107	1162
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1948 : June	1305	1263	1364	1271	1263	1302
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1949 : December	1486	1449	1593	1467	1448	1485
1950 : March	1515	1473	1614	1495	1475	1513
June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562
September	1613	1552	1717	1597	1570	1610
December	1680	1628	1790	1664	1641	1678

* War-time peak. † Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

4. Basic Wage : Industrial Awards, New South Wales—Adult Males.

Year.	Sydney.				State Crown Employees— All Districts, N.S.W.			
	February.	May.	August.	November.	February.	May.	August.	November.
Shillings per Week.								
1939*	81	82	81	82	80	80	80	80
1940	82	83	85	85	81	81	83	84
1941	88	88	89	89	86	87	87	88
1942	91	93	95	97	90	92	94	96
1943	98	98	100	99	97	97	99	98
1944	99	99	99	99	97	97	97	98
1945	99	98	98	99	97	97	97	97
1946	99	99	100	{ 101 108†	98	98	99	{ 99 106†
1947	108	110	110	{ 112 122	107	108	109	{ 111 121
1948	114	116	120	{ 122 132	113	115	118	{ 121 131
1949	124	127	130	{ 132 146	123	126	129	{ 131 145
1950	135	138	142	{ 165†	134	137	141	{ 145 165†
1951	173				173			

* In 1939 quarterly variations commenced in March, June, September and December.

† As a result of judgments of Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded, viz.: 7s. in December, 1946, and 19s. (State Crown Employees, 20s.) in December, 1950.

Female Wages.—The minimum wage per week payable to adult females (Sydney) was £6 3s. 6d. from December, 1950, and £6 9s. 6d. from February, 1951.

55. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number			
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†	Adult Males	Adult Females
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1946 : Dec.	130.9	80.3	2554	2956	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : Mar.	161.6	101.2	3154	3724	40.0	40.0
June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Sept.	169.1	105.8	3299	3896	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : Mar.	174.8	109.4	3410	4028	40.0	40.0
June	179.3	114.3	3499	4207	40.0	40.0
Sept.	184.5	115.9	3600	4265	40.0	40.0
Dec. p	209.4	139.9	4085	5151	40.0	40.0

* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.

† Base : Weighted average for

Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

Wholesale Price Index: Basic Materials and Foodstuffs (Table 51).

SPECIAL NOTE—December, 1950—Legislation which became effective on 14th December, 1950, had the effect of reducing (by bounty) the price paid for raw wool for local manufacture in Australia below the open market (auction room) price. Such reductions were virtually retrospective to August, 1950. Index numbers shown in Table 51 were calculated using the auction room prices for wool. Below are shown these same indexes re-calculated on the approximate effective prices paid for raw wool for local consumption i.e. auction room price less bounty. Only four groups are effected and these are re-calculated as follows:—

Month	Textiles	Total Basic Materials	Goods Principally Home Produced	Total, All Groups
1950: August	5579	2366	2218	2273
September	5434	2385	2223	2282
October	5438	2447	2225	2317
November	5878	2528	2322	2374
December	5957	2584	2302	2374